



## Same-Day Issued Cards

**Starting Oct. 3, 2022**, you can get a standard class D Minnesota driver's license, permit or standard ID card issued on the day you apply at the Lakeville or Moorhead driver's license offices.

**Where:** Same-day cards are offered at:

- **Lakeville License Center**, 20085 Heritage Dr., Lakeville. Visit [co.dakota.mn.us](https://co.dakota.mn.us) for office information.
- **Clay County Dept. of Motor Vehicles**, 420 Center Ave., Moorhead. Visit [claycountymn.gov](https://claycountymn.gov) for office information.

**Same-day cards are not available at other offices or exam stations.**

## About the Pilot Project

The project is limited to two driver's license offices.

Only standard class D driver's licenses and permits and standard ID cards can be issued on the same day an application is submitted.

**Reference:** Laws of Minnesota 2021, 1<sup>st</sup> Special Session. Chapter 5, Article 4, section 141.

## What You Need to Know

- Only a standard class D driver's license, permit or standard ID card is available for same-day issue.
  - A standard card is accepted at most places as proof of name and date of birth.
  - A class D driver's license or permit allows you to operate a regular passenger vehicle or a light truck.
- Same-day cards are **not available** for commercial driver's licenses or permits, REAL ID or enhanced driver's licenses, permits or ID cards.
- You will need to downgrade to a standard card if you have a REAL ID or enhanced driver's license or ID and want a new card the same day.
- If you are about to turn 21, you can only apply for a same-day issued card on or after the day you turn 21.
- A same-day issued card and a traditionally issued card require first-time applicants to provide one primary and one secondary proof-of-identification document. Visit [drive.mn.gov](https://drive.mn.gov) and select Driver's License and Options from the DVS Information panel for a list of acceptable documents.
- There is no additional fee for same-day issued cards. Visit [drive.mn.gov](https://drive.mn.gov) for fees.

## Important: Federal enforcement of REAL ID begins May 7, 2025.

Starting May 7, 2025, Minnesotans will need **one** of the following to board a domestic flight or enter certain federal facilities:

- A REAL ID driver's license or identification (ID) card.
- An enhanced driver's license or ID card.
- A REAL ID-compliant document like a valid U.S. passport, valid foreign government issued passport, unexpired permanent resident card or unexpired employment authorization document. Visit [tsa.gov/real-id](https://tsa.gov/real-id) for complete list.

For more information, visit [REALID.DPS.MN.gov](https://REALID.DPS.MN.gov)



*The Transportation Security Administration will not accept standard driver's licenses or ID cards starting May 7, 2025.*

## SAME-DAY DRIVER'S LICENSE OR ID CARD

Same-day issued cards have a slightly different look and feel than traditionally issued cards due to the card stock and laminate used in the printing process. The same-day issued cards are less flexible.

**The back of the cards will appear the same.**

- The barcode at the top of same-day cards is shorter than on the traditional card and does not include the cardholder's driver's license number.
- The information contained in the magnetic stripe and the barcode at the bottom of the card is identical for same-day and traditional cards.
- Endorsements and restrictions are the same on both cards.

### Same-Day Card



1. Ghost image of photo is in color.
2. There is no canoeist.
3. Date of birth appears on the card only once.
4. Does not include the laser-perforated walleye.
5. Issue date cannot be before Oct. 1, 2022.
6. Location of the shoreline on the background appears vertically on under 21 cards, not at the bottom.

### Traditional Card



- Ghost image of photo is black and white
- There is a canoeist.
- The shoreline always appears at the bottom of the card.
- Date of birth appears on the card twice.
- Includes laser-perforated walleye image.

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